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SUBJECT: GENEVA GROUP (GG) MEETING ON DECEMBER 14

REF: (A) GENEVA 9928; (B) STATE 284178

1. GENEVA GROUP (GG) AGREED WITH PROPOSAL TO HAVE GG CO-CHAIRMEN EXCHANGE VIEWS INFORMALLY, AS APPROPRIATE, WITH SOVIETS ON MATTERS OF MUTUAL INTEREST REGARDING UN BUDGET AND SO FORTH. RESERVATIONS BY SEVERAL COUNTRIES WERE MADE WITH REGARD TO APPEARING TO COLLABORATE CLOSELY WITH SOVIETS, GIVEN THEIR SOMETIMES UNREASONABLE AND USUALLY SELF-SERVING ATTITUDES TOWARD UN BUDGETS.

2. SUBJECTS PROPOSED AS AGENDA ITEMS FOR GG CONSULTATIVE LEVEL MEETING IN GENEVA NEXT MARCH 1 AND 2 ARE AS FOLLOWS:

(A) IMPLEMENTATION OF CL DECISION ON INDICATIVE TARGET FIGURES.

(1) REVIEW OF PROGRESS SINCE NEW YORK

(2) WHAT NEXT?

(B) QUESTION OF REGULAR BUDGETARY FINANCING OF TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

(C) POSTS FOR DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IN SECRETARIAT

(D) UPCOMING ICSC REVIEW OF METHODOLOGY FOR SALARY SURVEYS

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(E) ABOVE-MENTIONED COOPERATION WITH SOVIETS

(F) MOVE TO DONAUPARK

UNDER (A) (2) WOULD BE DISCUSSED WHICH OTHER ORGANIZATIONS SHOULD BE
SUBJECTED TO INDICATIVE TARGET APPROACH, HOW TO FORMULATE TARGET
FIGURES, AND HOW TO COORDINATE ACTIVITIES IN OUR OWN CAPITALS.
BRITISH CO-CHAIRMAN HAS PREPARED NON-PAPER ON LATTER SUBJECT WHICH
IS BEING POUCHED TO SOUTHWORTH.

3. MISSION FEELS THAT THIS LIST IS TOO LONG AND NOT ENTIRELY
APPROPRIATE FOR GG/CL TWO-DAY MEETING AND SO STATED AT MEETING.
WE WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT'S COMMENTS, INCLUDING SUGGESTIONS
FOR ANY OTHER TOPICS WHICH MIGHT BE OF HIGHER PRIORITY THAN THESE.
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